

Inquest Adjourned.

The inquest in the cause of the death of William Potter was adjourned Tuesday to July 5, when the officials expect to show the exact cause of Potter's death.

Masonic Picnic.

The annual Masonic picnic of Shiawassee county Masons will be held at McCurdy park August 12. The Masons of the county and their families are urged to remember the day and plan to make it a big success. Games, sports, a basket dinner and program of speeches will be given.

Change in Janitors.

The board of education has transferred George Griffith janitor at the Central school to the new Lincoln, and Thomas Doyle will succeed Mr. Griffith. Steven Baker will succeed William Cook as janitor at the Bryant school and Chris Cook will become janitor at the Washington school. A. L. Fowler will continue his work at the Emerson.

Public Playground.

Commissioner Rosevear and Mayor DeYoung are considering plans for making the new land purchased for walls for the water works near the pump house into a park, figuring it can be done at small expense and a little at a time. An island may be made and trees planted and the park made available for picnic and play grounds.

Sixty-four Join Church.

At the First Methodist church Sunday morning fifty-six persons were received into full membership and eight received on probation. Six children and one adult were baptized. Rev. Canfield urged church membership to a large congregation declaring that it is necessary to spiritual growth as the school is for mental and the home for physical growth and life. The evening services are to be shortened during the summer with some time spent socially after the service.

Ruess-Gadola.

The marriage of Miss Clara Ruess, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ruess of Bennington, and Paul V. Gadola of this city, was solemnized June 24 at the home of Rev. Fr. James G. Doherty of St. Vincent's church, Detroit. Mrs. Gadola has lived in Owosso for several years conducting a millinery store on West Exchange street. Mr. Gadola is a popular young attorney, a graduate of the Owosso high school and the University of Michigan, and many friends of both wish them much happiness. After July 15 they will be at home at 116 North Elm street in this city.

Halik Paroled.

Martin Halik, sentenced by Judge S. S. Miner in the Shiawassee circuit court Oct. 1, 1912, to serve from four years to life in prison for shooting his sweetheart Agnes Rebnikas, in New Haven township, was paroled by Governor Ferris because of new facts presented and in the recommendation of the pardon board, the warden and the trial officers. Halik paid the girl's fare to Michigan from the old country and soon after she arrived here became engaged to another man and Halik shot her. She recovered and left for Pennsylvania. Later, she repented and did all in her power to have her lover paroled.

Resignation Accepted.

At a meeting of the Congregational church and society Monday evening the resignation of Rev. C. H. Hanks as pastor was accepted. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in accepting the resignation of Pastor Charles H. Hanks, the Congregational church of Owosso, desire to express their appreciation of the long and valuable service covering a period of sixteen years, ably rendered the church and the community at large by Mr. Hanks, and that we hereby also express our good will and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Hanks and family in whatever field their future activity may lie.

TERRIBLY INJURED

William Barnes Rides Motorcycle into Interurban Car.

William Barnes Jr., was terribly injured Friday evening at 6 o'clock, when a motorcycle he was riding crashed into an Owosso-Lansing interurban car at the corner of Main and Shiawassee streets. The boy was carried to the Jennings undertaking parlors and later to the Miller hospital where he was operated on Saturday afternoon after regaining consciousness.

Barnes, who has been employed on the Wellington Williams farm south of the city, was riding to the home of his father Wm. Barnes Sr., in the Park Hill addition on W. Main street, and as he approached Main street his head was bent forward and his machine was traveling at a high speed, and despite the warning gong of the car he failed to see the car on time to make a turn to the right or even go straight across ahead of the car and when he did realize the danger, seemed to lose control of his machine and it struck the car throwing him with fearful force against the car crushing his head on the right side and leaving part of his brain on the car. His right thigh was doubly fractured and he was otherwise bruised and injured. The motorcycle was rendered useless being practically demolished while the fender of the interurban car was badly damaged.

Barnes has made such wonderful improvement that his physician expects him not only to recover but become strong and mentally sound.

REFUSES RELEASE.

Judge Miner Dismisses Case of Former Lennon Bank Partners.

Judge Miner in the circuit court has rendered an opinion dismissing the case John Conlen and others against Sutton, Moore and others to be released from responsibility of liabilities of the Lennon copartnership bank. The court held that they had no action in court until they had been injured and put to some expense. The court also held that the renewal of notes should not be regarded as payment as they were held as such by the bank. Also that those who had money in the bank at the time of the existence of the old co-partnership could not be made to surrender checks or blank books. Attorney A. L. Chandler who represented the losers, states that the case will be appealed to the supreme court.

Death of Mrs. Charles Kline.

Mrs. Nannie Hindman Kline, wife of Charles P. Kline, died at her home in Bennington Tuesday morning, after an illness of two years.

Mrs. Kline was born in Pennsylvania in 1869, coming to Bennington in 1885. She was married in 1889 to C. P. Kline, who with one daughter, Mrs. Hazel Cope of Owosso, and two sons, Orville H., of Detroit, and Floyd H., at home, survive her.

Mrs. Kline was highly respected as a devoted mother, a consistent and earnest Christian worker, a good neighbor and friend. She was a member of the Methodist church, the Gleasons and the Grange.

The funeral was held Thursday at the Bennington Methodist church, Rev. J. B. Oliver of Detroit, and Rex C. W. Barnum of Owosso officiating.

Death of Mrs. Violet Goering.

Mrs. Violet Wilbur Goering died at her home in Flint, Saturday, following an operation for appendicitis. The funeral was held in Flint, Tuesday.

Mrs. Goering lived in Owosso most of her life, graduating from the high school, later becoming a professional nurse. She acted as visiting nurse in Owosso and then served at the Battle Creek sanitarium. In June 1914 she was married to Dr. Goering of Flint, who survives her.

Estate Probated.

The will of Wm. Harris deceased, of Owosso, was probated this week, the estate being valued at \$10,000. A. D. Whipple was named as executor.

The will of the late John A. Watson, former sheriff, was filed with C. E. Godfrey and W. O. Watson as executors. The estate is valued at \$16,000, going to the six year old daughter. W. O. Watson was appointed guardian of the child.

To Inspect State Reward Roads.

Corunna, July 1.—Frank F. Rogers state highway commissioner, and Engineer Townsend of that department will be in Shiawassee county Tuesday, July 6, to inspect all state reward roads built here.

This will be the first time that the commissioner has visited the county in his official capacity to inspect roads. In the past he has sent a deputy.

MILLER POISON CASE HEARING

Mrs. Miller Tells Story of Ill Treatment, Infidelity and Attempt to Kill Her.

The hearing in the case of Charles H. Miller, accused of attempting to poison his wife was begun Tuesday morning before Justice Friegel in the municipal court. Mrs. Miller and her two older daughters attended the hearing. Mrs. Miller showing the effects of ill health, ill treatment, worry and the poison taken. The first witness was Mrs. Frank Thompson, with whom it is charged Miller was intimate. She denied the charge although admitting she had been with Miller and at his office on various occasions. She denied that a secret code had been used in letter writing and claimed a letter put in evidence was not written by her.

Walter Pulver testified to seeing Miller and Mrs. Thompson together at the cemetery and Charles Shaw, a neighbor of Thompson's, told of Miller being at the Thompson home and seeing the woman meet Miller south of Owosso, also of a visit of Mrs. Miller to his home home complaining of the intimacy of her husband and the woman.

Mrs. Miller told a long story of neglect, cruelty, threats, indecent actions of her husband, of her watching him and accusing him of infidelity, his admission of the charge and promise to discontinue such conduct, of his bringing home tablets which she took and becoming seriously ill, the examination of the tablets and the finding that they contained poison, the finding of more of the same kind in a pocket of his coat. She told of her finding him at his office late at night with a woman, of a merchant barring the door after he came out of the office and the woman being kept there late at night. On cross examination she stated that Miller had asked her to sign a deed of their small farm, which they own jointly to his father, and later of his bringing home a chattel mortgage, both of which she refused to sign, at which he became angry and said she had always been a stumbling block for him and he wished she was dead, stating that he wished she would get a divorce and that he would support her no longer.

The cross examination of Mrs. C. H. Miller was taken up Thursday morning and continued through the day before a packed court room. Little in the way of facts not previously known was testified to. Mrs. Miller broke down while testifying, but told a connected story of her husband's actions, of her visit to the office of Drs. A. M. and H. A. Hume and to Prosecuting Attorney Pulver, of the effect of the medicine on her. Dr. H. A. Hume testified to the facts in the case as it concerned him practically as told by Mrs. Miller.

The hearing was adjourned to July 16th.

Sturtevant-Young.

The marriage of Miss Rhoda, daughter of Mr. H. B. Sturtevant to Rev. Harry H. Young of Macksville, Kansas, was solemnized at the Sturtevant home on W. Oliver street, Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, Rev. Dr. Hugh Kennedy of Albion, officiating, assisted by Rev. C. H. Hanks. Miss Florence Teple of Deckerville, rendered Lohengrin's wedding march as the bride on the arm of her father descended the stairs and met the groom and Dr. Kennedy, and proceeded to the parlor where the ceremony was performed before the fire place which was banked with ferns, white roses and peonies.

After the ceremony and congratulations a three course dinner was served to the bridal party and thirty relatives and intimate friends by Mrs. Mable Dean Tree of Oakgrove, Misses Seraphine Dimmick, Gladys Hauck and Elsie Whipple.

Mrs. Young graduated from the Owosso high school in 1908 and after receiving a bachelors degree at Albion college and a master's degree at the University of Michigan taught a year in the Jennings Seminary at Aurora, Ill., and a year in the high school at Niles, Michigan.

Rev. Young is a son of Mrs. Ida Young of Milwaukee, Wis., a graduate of the Benton Harbor high school, Albion college and has attended Drew Theological Seminary at Madison, N. J., and Garrett Biblical school at Evanston, Ill. He served as pastor of the Corunna Ave. M. E. church in this city in 1914 and had charge of the choir of the Congregational church in the winter of 1913. He is now pastor of the M. E. church at Macksville, Kansas. After a short stay at Milwaukee and Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Young go to their home in Kansas with the best wishes of a host of friends.

Leaton Arnold and Harold Richardson have gone to Ann Arbor to attend summer school at the University.

Appointed Sergeant Major.

Sergeant Oscar E. Reynolds of Co. H Thirty-third regiment M. N. G. of this city, has been appointed Sergeant Major of the regiment by Col. John Boucher. Mr. Reynolds formerly held the office but resigned when he became second lieutenant of Co. H.

Holiday at the Post Office

The general delivery, stamp and money order windows of the post office will be open from 7 to 9 a. m. on Monday. Neither the rural or city carriers will make a delivery during the day. Mails will be dispatched as usual; collection from mail boxes will begin at 4 p. m.

Notice of Annual School Meeting.

The Annual School Meeting of the Union School District of the City of Owosso, for the election of Two Trustees for full term and the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come up, will be held at the I. O. O. F. Temple (or Old Armory) in the City of Owosso, July 12, at 8 o'clock, p. m. The polls will be open for election of trustees from 2 to 8 o'clock.

W. R. GOODRICH,
Sec'y Board of Education.
Dated June 23, 1915.

Congregational Church Services.

It is expected that morning services will be held at the Congregational church during the month of July. On Sunday next Dr. T. W. Nadall, acting president of Olivet College, will fill the pulpit. On the following Sunday, Rev. J. Edward Kirby, pastor of Plymouth Congregational church, Des Moines, Iowa, has promised to be here. Dr. Kirby was present and assisted in conducting the funeral services of Rev. W. S. Ament several years ago, making a very strong impression upon those present. Rev. L. O. Lee of Chicago, former pastor of the church and for many years a missionary in Turkey, has been invited to officiate on the 18th.

H. J. Ringold of Grand Rapids, for eighteen years traveling salesman for the Estey Manufacturing Co. of this city, died on Monday.

N. L. Boyce, E. D. Young Jr., G. H. Martin, city mail carriers, have each been granted an increase of \$100 per year in their salary.

CELEBRATION AT PARK

Ball Games and Sports—Basket Picnic and General Good Time July 5.

The program for the celebration at McCurdy park July 5 is complete, and a good time is promised all who attend. The Owosso band will furnish music during the day, and two base ball games will be played. The first base ball game will be between the Owosso Masonic team and the Maple River club. The winner will play the Cornuna city team. A. B. Cook of the Maple River team is confident his team will be the winner of the day's events.

More than \$200 will be given in prizes for amateur events. The judges of the sports will be Gilbert J. Cole, J. E. Collins and Roy C. Bailey. Several merchants besides giving merchandise, contribute cash.

Following is a list of the athletic events: Girls' free for all 100 yard dash; 16 year-old boy's 100 yard dash; girls' potato race; 16-year-old boy's sack race; men's free for all three legged race; free for all running race; girls' longest basket ball throw; longest base ball throw by girl; free-for-all wheelbarrow race; fat man's race, three entries only; nail driving contest; tug of war, eight men on side; running high jump; barrel hunting contest; wrestling match; boys' bicycle race; largest society in attendance, all Cornuna lodges barred; wagon bringing largest number of persons; largest load in touring car; largest load in touring car coming the greatest distance; party coming the greatest distance; mother with largest family; oldest couple on grounds; any couple married on grounds, free license and marriage ceremony.

Lecture by Henry M. Rose.

The Improvement association has named a committee to arrange for an address here by Henry M. Rose, assistant secretary of the United States senate and a former St. Johns man, who is giving lectures in various parts of the country on "Washington, the City Beautiful." Arrangements probably will be made for the delivery of lecture late in the summer or fall here, under the auspices of the Improvement association.



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I AM filled with exultation
On the birthday of the nation
When I hear again the ever stirring story
Of the colonists so loyal,
Who renounced a ruler royal
And above a land of freedom raised
Old Glory.

YET I fear you'll call it treason
If you do not like my reason.
Such things don't command so much
Of my devotion
As a certain very pretty,
Very charming, very witty
Girl, who throws my heart into a
great commotion.

When the band in lively manner
Plays the old "Star Spangled Banner"
And the flags on every hand are
gayly waving
I am thrilled by patriotic
Sentiments almost exotic,
And it might be said my joy ap-
proaches raving.

She's a patriotic maiden.
See, her arms with flags are la-
den,
And she surely sets my fancy in a
whirl.
Freedom—ah! We fight to win it,
But I'd give mine any minute
To my most alluring Fourth of July
girl.



THERE can be little doubt that the most magnificent celebration of the Fourth at Independence hall, Philadelphia, was in the Centennial year, 1876.

The day, marking the hundredth anniversary of the nation's birth, was as impressive as the whole resources of the nation and the community could make it. The world contributed its thousands of spectators from its most distant continents, assembled to visit the great Centennial exposition. Richard Henry Lee, grandson of one of the signers, read to an enthusiastic assemblage in Independence square the Declaration from the original manuscript—something which, with that sacred manuscript sealed in a safe in the state department library in Washington, can never occur again.

Senator Evans delivered the oration, and the heroic ode by Bayard Taylor in honor of the anniversary was read. In literal truth, on that Fourth of July the attention of the whole world was centered upon Independence hall.

The night saw a gorgeous display of fireworks. Since that time the growth of sentiment and understanding as to the priceless treasure of the old statehouse in Philadelphia has been rapid. The celebrations of the Fourth in the city of the signing have included addresses by such distinguished men as presidents of the United States. The city itself, removing its private goods and chattels and councilmen and policemen to the city hall, has devoted the statehouse to its just honors and such formal observances as, instituted on a large scale in the early nineties, have been well maintained ever since.